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Attorney General Bruning and Nebraska Bar Association Kickoff "Quashing Hunger Food Drive"

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(Lincoln, Neb) Attorney General Jon Bruning today kicked off the 2^{nd} annual "Quashing Hunger Food Drive."

"Today's economic challenges leave many in our state struggling to put food on the table," Bruning said. "I'm proud that our legal community is extending a hand to Nebraskans in need."

The Attorney General's Office is partnering with the Nebraska Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section to sponsor the donation campaign for the Food Bank for the Heartland (formerly Nebraska Food Bank Network). In 2009, Nebraska food banks provided more than 12 million meals to families in need.

Last year, the two-week donation campaign raised more than \$10,500 and 7,200 pounds of food. In total, 47 Nebraska firms competed in three categories to donate the most food or funds.

"Our goal is to have every law firm in Nebraska help in our fight against hunger," said Michael F. Kinney, President of the Nebraska Bar Association.

The "Quashing Hunger Food Drive" is a goodwill contest between law firms across the state. Awards will be presented to the winners at the Nebraska Bar Association's annual meeting.

If an attorney is interested in making a donation or participating in the event, visit http://www.nebar.com.

The event runs from Sept. 20 through Oct. 1, 2010.

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